

News from the Pews: St. Francís de Sales Parísh

- On the weekend of September 24th/25th, we joyfully welcomed to our parish, our new associate pastor, Fr. Massimo Buttigieg. Fr. Massimo was newly ordained in May 2016 in Gozo, Malta by Bishop Mario Grech. We invite everyone to stop by to introduce yourself to Father Massimo and keep him in your prayers as he begins his journey of shepherding God's people and embrace living in our beautiful country.
- The Children's Liturgy begins again for students in FDK and grade 1 on the weekend of October 1st & 2nd at the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass and the Sunday 10:15 a.m. Mass. The Children's Liturgy is the celebration of God's Word for children in language they can understand and through activities which relate the Gospel message to their daily lives.
- We will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi with our annual Blessing of Animals on: Sunday, October 2nd at 6:00 p.m. and on the proper Feast day, Tuesday, October 4th at 5:00 p.m. We invite you to take the opportunity to take your animal companions to Church for this special blessing.
- St. Frances de Sales Parish will be starting a Mother's Group! Do you want to be refreshed? Inspired? Meet other Catholic moms? Our first monthly gathering will be on Wednesday, October 12th at 8:00 p.m. at St. Francis De Sales Parish. For more info, email <u>lisa@catholicmomsgroup.com</u>
- The first EDGE night of the school year will be on October 28th at St. Andre Bessette C.S. (60 Seggar Ave.) from 7 p.m. 9 p.m. EDGE is a Catholic youth ministry program for students in grades 6, 7, and 8. We invite students in these grades to join us for a Halloween social to kick off the year. EDGE registration information will be posted on the parish website soon. In the meantime please feel free to contact Jeannine Henry at 905-683-1403 x 100 or youth.sfds@gmail.com for more information.
- First Communion and Confirmation registration meetings took place in September. Registration for these sacraments is now closed for the year. Catechism for students is scheduled to start in the new year.